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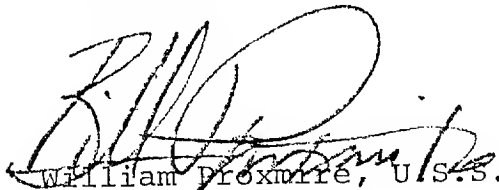
It was good to hear from you. I want to wish you the very best of luck and success in your doctorate program. I know your family must be very proud of your achievements.

I will continue to approve funding for the agencies under my direct control, as Chairman of the HUD-Independent Agencies Subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations, for research purposes. I have been a strong proponent of serious scientific and medical research projects over the years. I have always voted for health funding, for instance. It is up to the agencies to decide which research projects they will fund with the money the Subcommittee approves and which the Congress eventually votes for them. When I feel they have made frivolous choices in their research grants, I give them the "Golden Fleece." Funds for research are always limited. There are never enough funds for any government project, for that matter. For that reason I feel it is my duty as the Chairman of an Appropriations Subcommittee to challenge wasteful and frivolous use of research money wherever it may be found.

I am sure your endeavors are serious and that you will advance scientific knowledge. I wish you the best of luck in the pursuit of your degree and in obtaining funding for your research.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,


William Proxmire, U.S.S.

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